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Canadian Serbian Relief Committee

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The two nations that appeal most to our sympathy are Belgium and Serbia with which Montenegro may now be associated. The agonies through which these people have gone can only be realised by those who have a keen imagination. Fortunately Belgium from the beginning has received relief from large-hearted people in Britain and the United States, and the Belgians have been kept from starvation. They have shown a great deal of heroism and continue to do so, many Belgians refusing to take high wages from their German taskmasters rather than perform work which they think would not be in the interests of their country. But the Serbians also have been heroic sufferers. What they have had to endure has been told us recently by several Canadians who were in Serbia until the Teutons and Bulgars overran the country. The story of the retreat of the army is familiar, and along with the army have gone many thousands of refugees who are now being cared for especially in Corfu, Italy and Corsica. The Serbians have been described ^{by those who know them} as a people who in themselves would appeal strongly to us at any time but the injustice to which they have been subjected, the wrongs and cruelties that they have undergone constitute an overwhelming appeal at present. The Serbian Relief Society with which Montenegro is associated has been established in Canada to work in connection with the British Serbian Relief Fund for the alleviation of distress. The object is a worthy one and through this channel contributions of any kind will reach their destination and be distributed to the best advantage.

CANADIAN SERBIAN RELIEF COMMITTEE

Toronto, Ont

23rd February 1916

The Council of the University.

Dear Sirs :

At the annual meeting of the Canadian Serbian Relief Committee, which was held on Tuesday, February 22nd, a hearty vote of thanks was unanimously passed to you for the use of Convocation Hall for Dr Sharpe's lecture, and for the permission to use the Round Room for meetings.

Yours truly

Winifred B. Irvine

Corresponding Secretary

32 St Joseph Street

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CANADIAN SERBIAN RELIEF COMMITTEE

(WITH WHICH IS INCORPORATED MONTENEGRIN RELIEF)

HON. PRESIDENT - - - PRESIDENT R. A. FALCONER
PRESIDENT - - - DR. W. D. SHARPE, BRAMPTON, ONT.

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT:

MRS. L. A. HAMILTON, 32 ST. JOSEPH ST., TORONTO

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March 28th [1916]

My dear President Falconer.

Miss Weaver has asked me to send you a list of the names and addresses of the Vice Presidents.

Mr. Thomson wrote to say that her health was so poor that she was unable to act on the committee, and she gave me Mr. MacLaren's name, as being a suitable person to take her place, but I have not had an answer to my letter yet, so do not know if she will consent to be vice-president. Lady Tupper in Vancouver was unable to act, and I have written to the President of the Local council of women, to ask if she would be a vice-president. My sister suggested Mr. Barnard, the wife of the Lieut. Governor of B. C. as a suitable vice president to represent Vancouver Island, but I have not had her answer yet.

Believe me
yours sincerely
W.B. Irvine.

Mr. Pinkham
Bishops Court Calgary

Mr. Mc Williams
209 Devon Court
Winnipeg.

Mr. J. W. Brown
439 Sherbourne St
Toronto

Mr. Jas. McKeen
Government House
Halifax

Mr. Belts
Fulleigh
London.

Mr. Hugh Mackay
Victoria College
Montreal.

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NATIONAL BY-LAWS.

(1) Name.

The name of this association shall be "Canadian Relief Serbian Relief Committee."

(2) Objects.

To collect and disseminate accurate information re the needs of Serbia. To coordinate all work being done in Canada on behalf of the Serbians and to arouse further interest in collecting funds and necessities to send to them.

(3) Officers.

The Officers shall be --an Honorary President, a President, two Vice-presidents, a Treasurer, a Corresponding and a Recording Secretary; whose duties ~~xx~~ shall be those usually allotted to their office. They shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

(4) Executive.

The Executive shall consist of the officers and one representative from each local branch, together with one representative from such Nationally Organized Societies as care to appoint one. Vis to form a quorum and this Executive shall have power to add to their number at any meeting on a two-thirds vote of those present.

(5) Sub-Executive

The Sub-executives shall consist of the officers with a quorum of 3. They shall have power to transact all business needing attention between meetings of the Executive but must report their doings to the next Executive and have them ratified by it.

(6) Annual Meeting.

The Annual Meeting shall be held for the election of officers, passing of accounts, etc., at a time and place to be settled by the Executive.

SUGGESTED BY-LAWS FOR LOCAL BRANCHES OF THE C.S.R. COMMITTEE.

(1) Name. -----

The name of this association shall be the.... Branch of the C.S.R. Committee.

(2) Objects.

To raise funds and render other assistance as necessary ^{aicl} in of the
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Serbians.

(3) Officers

The officers shall be an Honorary President, a President, Vice-presidents, Secretaries and a Treasurer. They shall be elected at the Annual Meeting and their duties those usually pertaining to their office.

(4) Executive.

The Executive shall consist of (1) the Officers, (2) one representative from other locally organized societies and (3) Superintendents of Departments of Work. 7 shall form a quorum.

(5) Sub-Executive.

The Sub-Executive shall consist of the officers. They shall carry on all business between Executive Meetings but shall report their doings at the next meeting of the Executive and have them ratified by it. 3 shall form a quorum.

(6) Membership.

Membership shall be open to all those seeking to aid the Serbians by gifts of money or service of any kind.

(7) Annual Meetings

The Annual Meeting shall be held at least one month before the date fixed by the National Committee for its Annual Meeting.

N.B. Full shipping instructions and all other information will be gladly supplied by the National Secretary, Room 17, Mail and Empire Building, Toronto.

Local Treasurers are asked for purposes of economy to acknowledge all monies collected by them locally but to forward them to Headquarters, after necessary deductions for legitimate expenses, for transmission to Europe.

May 10th, 1916

Mrs. Irvine,

32 St. Joseph Street,

Toronto.

Dear Mrs. Irvine:

I would suggest that something of this kind might be sent to each of the local provincial associations and they can make what use they will of it through their own publication bearing the expense of insertion in any local journal.

Yours sincerely,

President.

The Canadian Serbian Relief Committee

(With which is incorporated Montenegrin Relief)

Honorary President, President R. A. Falconer
University of Toronto

President, Dr. W. D. Sharpe,
Late Commandant, British Naval
Mission Hospital, Belgrade, Serbia.

First Vice-President, Mrs. L. A. Hamilton,
Toronto.

Local Vice-President,

Treasurer, A. H. Campbell, Esq.,
4 Wellington Street East, Toronto.

The Canadian Serbian Relief Committee transmits funds and clothing to the London Serbian Relief Committee through which they are distributed to the sufferers. Contributions may be sent to the Local Treasurer through whom they will be forwarded to Mr. A. H. Campbell.

